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Mr. W. E. Colby Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Bill:

I am most grateful to you for your letter of May 21 in response to my letter of May 7 concerning a newspaper story from the Minneapolis Tribune.

I want you to know that I have always had a very high regard for the Central Intelligence Agency. I wish to assure you of my cooperation and of my desire to be helpful to the Agency in its official duties and responsibilities. I am well aware, as a former Vice President and as a member of the Senate, of the absolute necessity of having a highly competent professional intelligence-gathering service such as the CIA. I am sure you know that. I also recognize that the Agency may at times be required to engage in covert activities as well as intelligence-gathering.

As to you personally, you have my sincere respect and admiration.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely,

Hubert H. Humphrey